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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

Examiner: N. Worku

HIROHIKO ITO

Group Art Unit: 2626

Application No.: 09/172,261

Filed: October 14, 1998

For: IMAGE INPUT AND OUTPUT

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OUTPUT APPARATUS, AND IMAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM

AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant petitions to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2003, for one month from November 13, 2003, up to and including Monday, December 15, 2003. A check in the amount of \$110.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows:

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